AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for raising funds for a first organization comprising:

identifying one or more individuals associated with the first organization;

requesting enrollment of the one or more identified individuals in a program permitting the first organization to take out an insurance policy on each life of the one or more identified individuals naming the first organization as beneficiary and granting the first organization an irrevocable right to utilize the insurance policy on each life of the one or more identified individuals to serve the best interests of the first organization;

receiving information from one or more of the identified individuals accepting the enrollment;

selecting one or more of the one or more enrolled individuals based upon the received information to create a financial instrument comprising one or more insurance policies for each of the selected individuals, wherein the one or more insurance policies are selectively grouped based upon actuarial matrices or formulas into the financial instrument;

facilitating payment of premiums for the financial instrument;

holding the ~~a~~ financial instrument of the ~~a~~ first organization in a passive vehicle;

providing, by a second organization, capital to the first organization as evidenced by a promissory note secured by the financial instrument; ~~and~~

transferring ~~receiving, by the second organization,~~ a right or ~~and/or~~ a benefit that the passive vehicle receives with respect to the financial instrument as repayment of the promissory note to the second organization; and

wherein the financial instrument generates a variable net cash flow after the payment of premiums determined by factors selected from the group consisting of ages of the selected individuals, mortality rate of the selected individuals, investment performance of the financial instrument, guarantees of an insurance company, and combinations thereof.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the passive vehicle holds the financial instrument on behalf of the first organization and the second organization.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the right or ~~and/or~~ the benefit includes canceling the financial instrument.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the right or ~~and/or~~ the benefit includes distributing all assets contained within the passive vehicle.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the right or ~~and/or~~ the benefit includes transferring the ~~a~~ right or the ~~and/or a~~ benefit from the financial instrument at any time.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the right or ~~and/or~~ the benefit includes a call option to acquire the financial instrument from the passive vehicle.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first organization is a non-profit organization.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the second organization includes a lender.

9. (Canceled) Without prejudice.

10. (Canceled) Without prejudice.

11. (Canceled) Without prejudice.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 ~~claim 11~~, wherein the first organization is solely responsible for the premiums of the one or more insurance policies.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 ~~claim 9~~, wherein the one or more insurance policies is structured as a single premium modified endowment contract.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the financial instrument includes variable universal life insurance.

15. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the passive vehicle includes a trust.

16. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the passive vehicle includes a Qualifying Special Purpose Entity.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the second organization, upon ~~the~~ transfer of the financial instrument by the first organization to the passive vehicle, has an investment classified as an "available for sale investment" under FASB 140 at the full purchase price of the second organization.

18. (Currently Amended) A method for raising funds for a first organization comprising:

identifying insurable interests associated with the first organization;

requesting authorization for the first organization to insure the insurable interests;

taking out one or more policies insuring the insurable interests, wherein the insurable interests are the lives of a plurality of individuals associated with a first ~~non-profit~~ organization;

naming the first organization as the beneficiary of the one or more policies;

selectively grouping the one or more policies based upon actuarial matrices or formulas;

transferring ~~receiving~~ funds as evidenced by a promissory note secured by each grouping of the one or more policies to the first organization; ~~and~~

repaying the promissory note by transferring one or more benefits and/or rights from the one or more policies; and

wherein the selective grouping of the one or more policies generates a variable net cash flow after payment of premiums determined by factors selected from the group consisting of ages of the plurality of individuals, mortality rate of the plurality of individuals, investment performance of the selective grouping of the one or more policies, guarantees of an insurance company, and combinations thereof.

19. (Currently Amended) A method for raising funds for a first organization comprising:

identifying insurable interests associated with the first organization;

requesting authorization for the first organization to insure the insurable interests;

taking out life insurance on insurable interests of a first organization and naming the first organization as beneficiary of the life insurance;

selectively grouping the one or more policies based upon actuarial matrices or formulas;

raisings funds for the first organization by at least borrowing funds from a second organization as evidenced by a promissory note secured by the life insurance; ~~and~~

transferring one or more rights and/or benefits from the life insurance on the insurable interests to the second organization; and

wherein the selective grouping of the one or more policies generates a variable net cash flow after payment of premiums determined by factors selected from the group consisting of ages of the insurable interests, mortality rate of the insurable interests, investment performance of the selective grouping of the one or more policies, guarantees of an insurance company, and combinations thereof.

20. (Currently Amended) A method for raising funds for a first organization comprising:

identifying one or more individuals associated with the first organization;

requesting enrollment of the one or more identified individuals in a program permitting the first organization to take out an insurance policy on each life of the one or more identified individuals naming the first organization as beneficiary and granting the first organization an irrevocable right to utilize the insurance policy on each life of the one or more identified individuals to serve the best interests of the first organization;

receiving information from one or more of the identified individuals accepting the enrollment;

selecting one or more of the one or more enrolled individuals based upon the received information to create a financial instrument comprising one or more insurance policies for each of the selected individuals, wherein the one or more insurance policies are selectively grouped based upon actuarial matrices or formulas into the financial instrument;

facilitating payment of premiums for the financial instrument;

~~taking out a financial instrument on insurable interests of a first organization and naming the first organization as beneficiary of the financial instrument;~~

providing, by a second organization, capital to the first organization as evidenced by a promissory note secured by the financial instrument;

transferring the financial instrument of the first organization into a passive vehicle for the benefit of the first organization and the second organization; ~~and~~

transferring ~~receiving, by the second organization,~~ a right or ~~and/or~~ a benefit that the passive vehicle receives with respect to the financial instrument as repayment of the promissory note to the second organization; and

wherein the financial instrument generates a variable net cash flow after the payment of premiums determined by factors selected from the group consisting of ages of the selected individuals, mortality rate of the selected individuals, investment performance of the financial instrument, guarantees of an insurance company, and combinations thereof.

21. (Original) The method of claim 20, further comprising providing a call option to the second organization to acquire the financial instrument from the passive vehicle.

22. (Original) The method of claim 20, wherein the first organization is solely responsible for the premiums of the financial instrument.

23. (Original) The method of claim 20, wherein the passive vehicle is a Qualifying Special Purpose Entity.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the second organization, upon ~~the~~ transfer of the financial instrument by the first organization to the passive vehicle, has an investment classified as an "available for sale investment" under FASB 140.